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SUBJECT: ALBANIAN EMBASSY ON RELATIONS WITH CHINA

1. ACCORDING TO A REPORT IN THE LEFTIST DAILY ELEFTHEROTYPIA OF AUGUST 16, THE ALBANIAN EMBASSY HERE HAS CIRCULATED TO VARIOUS ATHENS NEWSPAPERS A PAMPHLET ENTITLED "ENVER HOXHA - CHOU EN-LAI CONVERSATION, TIRANA, MARCH 27-28, 1965." IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION BY AN ELEFTHEROTYPIA REPORTER, THE ALBANIAN AMBASSADOR IN ATHENS, LIK SEITI, IS QUOTED AS SAYING "OUR DIFFERENCES WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF PEOPLE'S CHINA ARE DUE TO THE FACT THAT THIS PARTY TOOK SIDES WITH ONE OF THE SUPERPOWERS, THE USA, IN ORDER TO FIGHT THE OTHER ONE. THE ALBANIAN WORKERS' PARTY (COMMUNIST PARTY) DOES NOT BELIEVE IN THE PRINCIPLE 'THE ENEMY OF MY ENEMY IS MY FRIEND.' FOR US, BOTH SUPERPOWERS ARE ENEMIES."

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2. WITH REFERENCE TO THE HOXHA-CHOU EN-LAI CONVERSATION ELEFTHEROTYPAI REPORTS THAT THE ALBANIAN AMBASSADOR STATED: "YOU WILL FIND IN THIS CONVERSATION THE POSITIONS WHICH THE ALBANIAN WORKERS' PARTY STILL HOLDS TODAY. NOTHING HAS CHANGED. NOR WILL ANYTHING CHANGE. THE RUMORS THAT CIRCULATED FOLLOWING THE EXPRESSION OF OUR DISAGREEMENT WITH

THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHINA THAT WE WOULD JOIN THE SOVIET BLOC AND THE WARSAW PACT ARE COMPLETELY WITHOUT FOUNDATION. A PEOPLE WHICH DEPENDS ON ITS OWN RESOURCES TO ADVANCE IS NOT AFRAID OF ISOLATION. THAT IS WHAT HOXHA TOLD CHOU EN-LAI IN 1965. THAT IS WHAT HE SAYS TODAY." THE ALBANIAN AMBASSADOR IS QUOTE AS SAYING FURTHER THAT "IN ANY EVENT, WE HAVE ALSO PREPARED OURSELVES FOR THE POSSIBILITY THAT PEKING WOULD DISCONTINUE ITS ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO ALBANIA."

3. REFERRING FURTHER TO THE STAND OF THE ALBANIAN WORKERS' PARTY TOWARD THE TWO SUPERPOWERS, THE ALBANIA AMBASSADOR IS REPORTED AS SAYING THE PARTY'S POSITION "REMAINS UNCHANGED SINCE 1960 UNTIL TODAY AND THERE IS NOT THE SLIGHTEST POSSIBILITY THAT IT WILL CHANGE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THE ALBANIAN PEOPLES' PARTY BELIEVES THAT IN THE CASE OF BOTH THE USA AND THE USSR EACH AIMS AT IMPOSING ITS DOMINATION OVER THE WORLD OFR ITS OWN ACCOUNT AFTER DESTROYING SOCIALISM AND ABOLISHING THE FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE OF PEOPLES."

4. COMMENT: SO FAR ONLY ELEFTHEROTYPIA CARRIES THIS STORY WITH THE INDICATION THAT IT WILL PUBLISH THE FULL TEXT OF THE 1965 HOXHA-CHOU CONVERSATION BEGINNING AUGUST 17. WE HAVE NO EXPLANATION FOR THIS SUDDEN ALBANIAN EMBASSY MOVE HERE BUT WILL FOLLOW ANY SUBSEQUENT DEVELOPMENTS AND REPORT ANYTHING OF SPECIAL INTEREST. WE WILL ALSO TRY TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE PAMPHLET SUPPOSEDLY DISTRIBUTED TO THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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